

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the amendment and the following remarks. Claims 13-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Paleta et al. (Collection Czechoslov. Chem. Commun., 35, 1970, 1304-1305) ("Paleta"), in view of Cordier et al. (US 6,509,495). The applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

As the Examiner corrected stated Paleta discloses the use of Br and not Cl. In order to expedite prosecution, the applicant has enclosed a Declaration which established unexpected results using Cl versus Br (see in particular paragraph nos. 5-9 of the Declaration). For the above reasons, this rejection should be withdrawn.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

A two month extension fee has been paid. Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 14558-00001-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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